

OBJECTION TO SIGNING

RE: HB 5679

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TO: Michigan House Judiciary Committee

I am writing to OBJECT to signing HB 5679.

HB 5679 does not address the core Constitutional issues as described by the 6th Circuit Court, primarily those involving:

- Onerous in person reporting requirements
- School Safety Zone restriction distances regarding housing, employment, and presence of a person subject to SORA and what is considered to be "loitering"
- Collection of online screen names and other Internet identifiers

There will be serious and long-term legal expenses incurred by the State of Michigan in an attempt to enforce this law. Millions of dollars of tax payer money have been spent already. Why would you sign off on a bad revision to only have it end back up in the 6th Circuit?

In addition to the Constitutional issues not addressed by HB 5679, there are even larger concerns with this the "duct tape and band aid" approach to fixing SORA:

- Sociological and economic costs to the families of registrants (the family of the person subject to SORA are irreparably damaged)
- Costs of enforcement by the State of Michigan far outweigh any actual documented benefits (SORA has not been proven to reduce the *perceived* risk of recidivism)
- Offense based tiering has proven to be ineffective in assessing actual risk of re-offense risk. There are multiple sources pointing this out, including the FBI. SORA does not make the public any safer.
- Any reasonable person would conclude that SORA, as it currently stands, is Ex-Post Facto punishment regardless of the narrative up to this point.

I can assure you if HB 5679 somehow makes it into Law as it is currently written, it will be quickly challenged by another Class Action Lawsuit and will simply end up in "limbo" again.

Thank you for your time and consideration hearing this Objection.



Donald Schultz